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**CLAIM 1 IS AMENDED** 

- 1. (Amended) A method of alleviating downturn of corners of a patient's mouth comprising:
- [b)] locating a depressor anguli oris (DAO) muscle adjacent each corner of said mouth; and
- [c)] injecting into a DAO adjacent each corner of the mouth, a quantity of [Botulnum] Botulinum toxin (BTX) sufficient to cause paralysis of a DAO.
- 2. The method of claim 1 wherein the quantity of BTX injected into each DAO is about 3-5 Unit equivalents.
- 3. The method of claim 2 wherein the BTX is Bottlinum-A toxin.
- 4. The method of claim 1 wherein the quantity of BTX injected into each DAO is adjusted to compensate for symmetry of the mouth.

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5. (Amended) A method for providing a facial cosmetic benefit to a human, comprising:

bilaterally injecting an amount of a Botulinum toxin to depressor anguli oris (DAO) muscles of a human patient, the amount of Botulinum toxin being effective to treat downturn of corners of a patient's mouth.

6. The method of claim 5, wherein the Botulinum toxin is Botulinum-A toxin.

**CLAIM 7 IS CANCELLED** 

**CLAIMS 8 AND 9 ARE AMENDED** 

- 8. (Amended) The method of claim 5, wherein the Botulinum toxin is injected without being administered to the orbicularis oris muscle surrounding the mouth.
- 9. (Amended) The method of claim 5, wherein the injection of Botulinum toxin is effective to alleviate wrinkles located near the mouth.
- 10. The method of claim 5, wherein the amount of Botulinum toxin is between about 2 units and about 5 units.

**CLAIMS 11 AND 12 ARE AMENDED** 

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11. (Amended) The method of claim 5, further comprising injecting an orbicularis oris muscle with a total dose of botulinum toxin in the order of 4 units for the entire upper lip.

- 12. (Amended) The method of claim 5, further comprising locating a depressor anguli oris (DAO) muscle before injecting the Botulinum toxin.
- 13. The method of claim 5, further comprising a step of laser resurfacing tissue in proximity to the mouth.
- 14. The method of claim 5, further comprising a step of filling soft tissue in proximity to the mouth.

## **CLAIM 15 IS AMENDED**

15. (Amended) A method of alleviating severe upper lip wrinkles of a patient, comprising:

injecting a small amount of a botulinum toxin into the orbicularis oris muscle in proximity to an upper lip of a human afflicted with severe upper lip wrinkles in conjunction with a treatment of Marionette lines and sad mouth by injection of a botulinum toxin into each depressor anguli oris muscle, the total amount of the botulinum toxin being on the order of 4 Units for the entire upper lip, thereby alleviating the severe upper lip wrinkles.

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- 16. The method of claim 15, wherein the Botulinum toxin is a botulinum-A toxin.
- 17. The method of claim 15, wherein the amount of botulinum toxin injected is at least about 2 units.
- 18. The method of claim 15, wherein the amount of botulinum toxin injected is at least about 3 units.
- 19. The method of claim 15, wherein the amount of botulinum toxin injected is in a range of about 2 units to about 5 units.
- 20. The method of claim 15, wherein the amount of botulinum toxin injected is in a range of about 3 units to about 5 units.
- 21. The method of claim 15, wherein the quantity of Botulinum toxin is on the order of 4 Units.
- 22 The method of claim 15, wherein only the orbicularis oris muscle in proximity to the upper lip is injected.

**CLAIM 23 IS CANCELLED** 

**CLAIM 24 IS AMENDED** 

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24. (Amended) The method of claim 15, further comprising locating the DAO muscle before injecting the Botulinum toxin to the DAO muscle.

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## **CLAIM 25 IS CANCELLED**

- one step selected from the group consisting of laser resurfacing tissue in proximity to the mouth, and filling soft tissue in proximity to the mouth.
- 27. A method of alleviating downturn of corners of a patient's mouth comprising:

injecting into a depressor anguli oris (DAO) muscle & adjacent each corner of the mouth, a quantity of Botulinum toxin sufficient to cause paralysis of a DAO.

- 28. The method of claim 27, wherein the botulinum toxin is Botulinum-A toxin.
- 29. The method of claim 27, wherein the quantity of Botulinum toxin is between about 2 units and about 5 units.

## **CLAIM 30 IS CANCELLED**

30. (Amended) The method of claim 27, further comprising injecting on the order of 4 units of a Botulinum toxin to an upper lip region located above the patient's mouth.

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